



## Ohio Board of Nursing

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I certify that the attached records are a true copy of Ohio Board of Nursing disciplinary records.

*Betsy J. Houchen*

Betsy Houchen, R.N., M.S., J.D.  
Executive Director



CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
MARGARET FREEMAN, R.N.  
AND  
OHIO BOARD OF NURSING

This Consent Agreement is entered into by and between Margaret Freeman, R.N. and the Ohio Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board"), the state agency charged with enforcing the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 4723 of the Ohio Revised Code, and all Rules promulgated thereunder.

Ms. Freeman voluntarily enters into this Agreement being fully informed of her rights afforded under Chapter 119, Ohio Revised Code, including the right to representation by counsel and the right to a formal adjudication hearing on the issues contained herein.

Ms. Freeman acknowledges that she has had an opportunity to ask questions concerning the terms of this Agreement and that all questions asked have been answered in a satisfactory manner.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT contains the entire agreement between the parties, there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies the terms of this CONSENT AGREEMENT.

This agreement is entered into on the basis of the following stipulations, admissions and understandings:

1. Ms. Freeman was originally licensed to practice nursing as a registered nurse in 1975. She was certified as a nurse-midwife in 1985 in the State of Ohio, and is subject to all laws and rules of Ohio regulating the practice of nursing.
2. Ms. Freeman knowingly and voluntarily acknowledges that she practiced as a nurse-midwife without the direction and supervision of a doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathic medicine and surgery, and without holding a license to practice medicine or surgery issued pursuant to Chapter 4731, Ohio Revised Code.

Based on the above statements and admissions, and in consideration of the mutual promises hereinafter set forth, Ms. Freeman knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the Ohio Board of Nursing to the following:

- A. Ms. Freeman shall not practice nursing as a nurse-midwife in the State of Ohio until she provides the Ohio Board of Nursing with a notarized affidavit and statement by a practitioner licensed under Chapter 4731, Ohio Revised Code, who is directing and supervising Ms. Freeman's practice as a nurse-midwife.
- B. Ms. Freeman shall pay a fine of one hundred (\$100) dollars to the Ohio Board of Nursing.
- C. Ms. Freeman shall pay all fees and fines by certified check or money order.
- D. If, in the discretion of the Board, Ms. Freeman appears to have violated or breached any terms or conditions of the Agreement, the Ohio Board of Nursing reserves the right to institute formal disciplinary proceedings for any and all possible violation or breaches, including, but not limited to, alleged violation of the laws of Ohio occurring before the effective date of this Agreement.
- E. Any action initiated by the Board based on alleged violations of this Agreement shall comply with the Administrative Procedures Act, Chapter 119, Ohio Revised Code.
- F. Ms. Freeman waives any and all claims or causes of action she may have against the State of Ohio, the Board, and members, officers, employers and/or agents of either, arising out of matters which are the subject of this Agreement.
- G. In the event the Board, in its discretion, does not approve this Agreement, this settlement offer is withdrawn and shall be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon or introduced in any civil or administrative action or appeal by either party. Ms. Freeman agrees that should the Board reject this Agreement and if this case proceeds to hearing, she will assert no claim that the Board was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this Agreement or any information relating thereto.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is not an adjudication order within the meaning of Section 119.01(D) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon consent of Ms. Freeman and the BOARD, the terms and conditions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT may be modified or terminated in writing.

Once executed, this Consent Agreement shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43, Ohio Revised Code, and shall be incorporated into a formal journal entry at the meeting in which it is accepted by the Board. The Order shall become effective upon the last date of signature below.

Margaret Freeman, R.N., CNM  
MARGARET FREEMAN, R.N.

Nov. 1, 1991  
DATE

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WILLIAM S. FEIN  
Attorney at Law  
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11/6/91  
DATE

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